THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information on windmills in Delhi has been included in a brochure on new and renewable sources of energy, brought out by the Delhi Energy Development Agency.

(c) and (d) A Handbook on "Wind Energy Data for India" was published under a project sponsored by the Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources which gives a broad indication of the windy locations in the country. Wind survey projects have also been taken up subsequently in 16 States/ Union Territories of ihe country to provide more detailed information.

Execution of Power Projects with joint Assistance

4517. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the power projects which are at present being executed with joint assistance from foreign Governments and consortia;

(b) what are the names of the power projects for which additional assistance has been sought for under similar arrangements; and

(c) whether a foreign Government/consortium extending assistance can nominate/select a parti
cular power project and if not, what is the policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Optical fibre cable systems for Delhi and Bombay Telephones

4518. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleised to state:

(a) whether Governmcir had floa ted a Global Tender No. 15-3/86-MMDfopened on 6.10.87) under World Bank loan for the supply of Optical Fibre Cable System to the Delhi and Bombay Telecommunications organisations;

(b) if so, whether Government have been forced under the Japanese aid-giving organisations advice to place the entire order last month to NEC of Japan as a package deal and. thereby incur considerable extra expense of at least Rs. 3 crores in foreign exchange;

(c) whether Government are aware that NEC has paid a substantial sum as consultancy fee in foreign exchange to a non-descript Indian firm which is supposed to have advise I NEC on the modus-operandi of winning this valuable contract; and

(d) whether Government propose to instruct NEC to reduce the cost of the package deal?